1 2 3 4 5 6 STATE OF WASHINGTON 7 GAMBLING COMMISSION 8 OAH Docket No. 03-2021-GMB-00172 In the matter of: 9 GMB No. CR 2020-01587 10 KANHA S. PRUM STIPULATED SETTLEMENT License No. 68-07087, **AGREEMENT** 11 Licensee. 12 The Washington State Gambling Commission Staff (Commission Staff), by and through 13 its attorneys ROBERT W. FERGUSON, Attorney General, and DOUG VAN DE BRAKE, 14 Assistant Attorney General, and its Interim Director, TINA GRIFFIN, and the Licensee, 15 KANHA PRUM, represented by attorney ALBERTO GUADAGNO, enter into this Stipulated 16 Settlement Agreement (Agreement) for Case Number CR 2020-01587. 17 I. INTRODUCTION 18 The Washington State Gambling (Commission) issued Kanha Prum (Licensee) a 19 1. gambling license, License No. 68-07087, authorizing Public Card Room Employee activity at 20 Macau Casino in Lakewood, Washington. This license, which expires on August 19, 2021, was 21 issued subject to Licensee's compliance with all state gambling laws and Commission rules at 22 23 all times following licensure. On February 24 2021, the former Director of the Commission issued a Notice of 24 2. Administrative Charges under cause number 2020-01587. The charges allege that Ms. Prum 25 engaged in professional gambling by playing in unlicensed card games in violation of 26

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RCW 9.46.221 and RCW 9.46.0269(1)(a) and (b), and participated in gambling activity for which a license is required, in violation of RCW 9.46.160. A copy of the Notice of Administrative Charges is appended to this Agreement.

- 3. The charges seek revocation of Ms. Prum's gambling license under the authority of RCW 9.46.075(1), (2), and (8), RCW 9.46.153(1), and WAC 230-03-085(1), (3), and (9)(d) and (e).
- 4. Ms. Prum timely requested a hearing. The case is scheduled for an evidentiary hearing on July 2, 2021, before the Office of Administrative Hearings, Docket No. 03-2021-GMB-00172.
- 5. Having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the case, the parties wish to enter into this Agreement to resolve this matter by means of a three-month suspension of Licensee's gambling license.

### II. AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES

The Commission and the Licensee agree to the following:

- 1. The Commission and the Licensee enter into this Agreement to avoid the time and expense of further litigation.
- 2. This Agreement constitutes the final written expression of all the terms of the parties' agreement and is a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of its agreement.
- 3. Licensee admits to the violations charged in the Notice of Administrative Charges and acknowledges that if the trier of fact found a preponderance of the evidence established the charges, the Commission would have authority to revoke Licensee's license.
- 4. The parties agree that the Commission will consider that the violations set forth in the Notice of Administrative Charges are established for purposes of Licensee's administrative licensing record. The Commission agrees that if Licensee commits no further violations within one-year from the effective date of this Agreement, the terms of the Agreement shall be completed. At that point, neither the admissions in this Agreement nor the fact of the

1	11. The parties recognize that this Agreement is subject to the approval of the	
2	Director of the Commission.	
3	12. This Agreement shall become effective once signe	ed by both parties.
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10	ALBERTO GUADAGNO, WSBA #36340 Guadagno Law, PLLC	DATE
11	Attorney for Kanha S. Prum	
12	Tina Dreffen	7/12/2021
13	TINA GRIFFIN	DATE
14	Interim Director Washington State Gambling Commission	
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16 17	ROBERT W. FERGUSON Attorney General	
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19	DOUG VAN DE BRAKE, WSBA #33644 Approved as to form	DATE
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"Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest"

February 23, 2021

Kanha Prum 7412 Golden Given Rd. Apt. 4 Tacoma, WA 98404

**Subject: Administrative Charges** 

• Enclosed is a Notice of Administrative Charges issued by the Director of the Gambling Commission alleging you have violated gambling rules and your license may be suspended or revoked.

### What should I do?

- To discuss settlement options and to preserve your right to a hearing, you must complete and sign the attached Hearing Request Form.
- We must <u>receive</u> your Hearing Request within 23 days from the date the charges were mailed.

#### What happens once I send in the Request for Hearing?

• Once we receive your hearing request, we will contact you about settling your case. If we cannot settle the case, a hearing will be scheduled.

### What happens if I do NOT return the Hearing Request?

• If you do NOT return the hearing request form on time, an Order of Default suspending your license will be presented to the Commission, with no further notice to you.

### Can I continue to work?

You may continue to work authorized gambling activities until there is a final order on your case.

You must submit your hearing request on time. If you have questions, please call (800) 345-2529, extension 3473, or e-mail ashlie.laydon@wsgc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Ashlie Laydon, Rules Coordinator Licensing, Regulation, and Enforcement

Enclosures

# Important Notice of Administrative Charges against Gambling License or Class III Certification

The Director of the Gambling Commission has sent a Notice of Administrative Charges against you or your employee. A copy of the charges has been sent with this notice.

# Information for Licensees and Certified Employees Named in Administrative Charges

- You have the right to a hearing. The Request for Administrative Hearing and Interpreter form MUST be completed by the charged individual/entity and received by us either within 23 days from the date the Charges were mailed via regular mail or within 20 days from the date you receive the Charges by certified mail or personal service.
- If the form is not received on time, your license/certification can be revoked (cancelled) and you will be unable to work or conduct gambling activities.
- You may continue to work or operate gambling activities until a final order is issued in your case.

### Information for Employers

 Our records show the employee named in the charges is a current or former employee. This is a courtesy copy of the charges, you need not respond.

If you have questions, please call (800) 345-2529, extension 3473, or e-mail ashlie.laydon@wsgc.wa.gov.

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2 3 4 STATE OF WASHINGTON 5 GAMBLING COMMISSION 6 NO. CR 2020-01587 In the Matter of: 7 NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE KANHA S. PRUM 8 **CHARGES** License No. 68-07087 9 10 Licensee. 11 These administrative charges are brought under and in accordance with Chapter 9.46 12 RCW, the Washington State Gambling Act, Chapter 34.05 RCW, the Administrative 13 Procedure Act, and Title 230 WAC, Rules adopted by the Gambling Commission. 14 LICENSE 15 The Washington State Gambling Commission (WSGC) issued Licensee Kanha 16 1. Prum a gambling license, License No. 68-07087, authorizing Public Card Room Employee 17 activity at Macau Casino in Lakewood, Washington. 18 This license, which expires on August 19, 2021, was issued subject to Prum's 19 2. compliance with state gambling laws and Commission rules. 20 II. **FACTUAL BACKGROUND** 21

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apartment located in Tacoma.

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On November 4, 2019, a WSGC Special Agent received an anonymous

complaint regarding an illegal gambling operation. According to the complainant nearly every

night a group of people, primarily public card room and tribal casino employees, played a

Chinese card game where they "bought in" for each hand and paid tips to the renter of the

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- 2. From this initial contact until September 30, 2020, the Agent communicated with the complainant via text message. Through these conversations, the Agent learned that the players sit on the ground, putting money into a red tin for "tips." When a new hand is dealt, players put a chip into the red tin; if they do not pay with a chip, they are not dealt cards.
- 3. According to the complainant, the resident of the apartment keeps all chips and cash in the tin in order to pay for food that is provided. The players then make separate wagers amongst themselves. The complainant provided the Agent with numerous pictures of the games being played, identifying each person found in the photos.
- 4. During the ongoing discussion with the Agent, the complainant also voiced concerns about the games going on while COVID-19 mandates were in effect. According to the complainant, players were not wearing their required masks, and were often in groups larger than 14 people in the apartment.
- 5. The complainant notified the Agent that the original location, 3707 East E St. #3 in Tacoma, Washington was no longer being used for the games. Instead, the games were being held on a regular basis at a new Tacoma address, 7416 Golden Given Road E #09. Upon receiving this information, the Agent began performing surveillance at this location.
- 6. On March 31, 2020 the Agent performed surveillance on the property. The entire time that he was surveilling the property, the Agent observed a vehicle with the Washington State license plate number APK3761 parked at the apartment complex. The Agent was able to verify that this vehicle was registered to Card Room Employee Kanha Prum.
- 7. On April 16, 2020, while surveilling the property, the Agent observed the silver Honda registered to Prum parked in the apartment complex. Unlike the other vehicles the Agent observed on this date, Prum's vehicle was parked in a stall reserved for residents of the apartment complex.

- On October 5, 2020, Prum met with the Agent at the WSGC's Federal Way office to conduct a voluntary interview. Prum acknowledged her participation in the games, stating that it was played for fun between a bunch of people that were friends.
- According to Prum, those playing pay either \$2 or \$3 per hand. Prum stated that while the players give "tips" to the dealer, they do not "buy in" to the game. Prum identified the renters of the apartment as Phal Chea and his wife.
- Prum reiterated at the end of the interview that it was a group of friends that all work at casinos getting together to play for fun. The games continued through the COVID-19 pandemic because the players were bored and lonely from being stuck at home, not able to go

### **BASIS FOR REVOCATION**

- By regularly playing in unlicensed and illegal card games, Kanha Prum engaged in professional gambling by engaging in conduct which materially aids any form of gambling activity and by paying a fee to participate in a card game. In doing so, Prum is in violation of RCW 9.46.221, Professional Gambling in the Second Degree, defined by RCW
- By participating in the unlicensed and illegal card games, Kanha Prum was conducting an activity for which a license is required, without the required license issued by the WSGC. In doing so, Prum is in violation of RCW 9.46.160
- Kanha Prum has failed to prove by clear and convincing evidence that she is qualified for licensure, as required by RCW 9.46.153(1).
- The Commission is authorized to revoke Kanha Prum's Public Card Room Employee license pursuant to RCW 9.46.075(1), (2), and (8), RCW 9.46.153(1), and WAC 230-03-085(1), (3), and (9)(d) and (e).

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1 REVOCATION IV. 2 The above-referenced findings are a sufficient basis for revocation of Kanha 1. Prum's Public Card Room Employee License. 3 4 Based on the facts and violations referenced above, the penalty for Kanha Prum's actions is REVOCATION of her Public Card Room Employee License. 5 6 I have read this Notice of Administrative Charges, know the contents of it, believe it to 7 be true, and have executed this Notice in my capacity as Director of the Washington State 8 Gambling Commission. 9 David Tryillo 2/19/2021 10 DAVID TRUJILLO, DIRECTOR Date Washington State Gambling Commission 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**HEARING NOTICE** 

You have the opportunity to request a hearing to contest the Commission's decision to revoke your public card room employee license. To request a hearing and/or discuss settlement options, the Commission <u>must</u> receive the enclosed hearing request form within 23 days from date of our mailing identified below. Failure to return the enclosed hearing request will result in a default order revoking your license.

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IN RE: KANHA S. PRUM NO. CR 2020-01587 Washington State Gambling Commission 4565 7th Avenue S.E., Lacey, WA 98503 P.O. Box 42400 Olympia, WA 98504

1 | **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** I certify that on the date below I served a copy of the foregoing document on all parties 2 or their counsel by United States Postal Service regular and certified mail to the following: 3 4 KANHA S PRUM 5 7412 GOLDEN GIVEN RD APT 4 TACOMA WA 98404 6 EXECUTED this 24 day of February, 2021, at Lawy, Washington. 7 8 9 Ashlie Laydon 10 Rules Coordinator 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

# Important Notice

This is an important notice about your gambling license. If you do not respond, you may lose your license and be unable to work. If you have questions about these papers, please call (360) 486;3471. Please call an attorney if you have legal questions.

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Vietnamese Translation

본 내용은 귀하의 갬블링 라이센스에 대한 중요한 고기 사항입니다. 회신을 하지 않을 경우 라이센스가 취소되고 영업(업무)을 할 수 없게 됩니다. 본 문전과 관련하여 문의 사항이 있으면(360) 486-34개반으로 연락해 주십시오. 법률 관련 질문이 있으신 경우 변호사에게 문의해 주십시오

Korean Translation

以下是有关您的博彩业执照的重要通知。如果您不回复,您可能会失去执照,并无法工作 。如果您对这些文件 有疑问,请电洽(360) 486-

3471。如果您有法律方面的问题,请打电话向律师咨询。

Chinese Translation

Это важное извещение, касающееся вашей лицензии на осуществление деятельности по организации и проведению азартных игр. Если вы не ответите на него; вы можете потерять свою лицензию и не сможете продолжить работу. Если у вас есть вопросы до поводу этих документов, позвоните по телефону (360) 486,3471. С вопросами юридического карактера обратитесь к алвокату.

Russian Translation

Este es un aviso importante acerca de su licencia para juegos de azar. Si usted no responde, puede perder su licencia y no podrá trabajar. Si tiene preguntas acerca de estos documentos, llame al (360) 486-3471. Por favor llame a un abogado si tiene preguntas legales.

Spanish Translation

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Khmer Translation

## STATE OF WASHINGTON GAMBLING COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Revocation of the License to Conduct Gambling Activities of:	) NO. CR 2020-01587
KANHA S. PRUM License No. 68-07087	) REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND INTERPRETER
Licensee.	)
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Please initial here if you would like to receive to RE: KANHA S. PRUM	further contact and documents by E-mail only.  CR 2020-01587
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